

Budget & Finance Committee
Regular Meeting
March 4, 2008 – 3:00 p.m.
Tribal Office Boardroom

1. Call to Order & Roll call-

Committee Vice Chairperson Joan Delabreau called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.
PRESENT: Jeremy Weso, Kathy Kaquatosh, Dan Maine, Harold Wilkes and Eugene Caldwell (3:10). MEMBERS ABSENT: Jamie Perez. ALSO PRESENT: Linda Taylor, Dave Grignon and Shannon Wilber.

2. Moment of Silence- A moment of silence was observed.

3. Approval of Minutes dated January 9, 2008-

Motion made by Kathy Kaquatosh to approve the minutes dated January 9, 2008 with the noted corrections. Motion was seconded by Dan Maine. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. 4-for, 0-opposed, 2-absent (Caldwell, Perez), 0-abstentions. Motion carried.

4. Youth Proposal requests-

There were eight proposals that were submitted in response to the Legislature appropriating \$11,496.00 for youth service activities. Jeremy made the Youth Service Providers aware that they did not need to attend meetings regarding this issue, but if any of the Youth Service Providers had questions they could attend the meeting. It was questioned if some of these functions would go on without the money. Maehnowesekiyah director Shannon Wilber did let the committee know that there were two other projects in with the proposals that are already funded and does not need the Youth monies. Also a few of the functions are annual so they were already funded by other sources and may be funded again. It was decided that all the Youth Service Providers need to come up with a solution in splitting the monies due to all Providers exceeding the money limits except for one, which is the 2008 Career Day for High School Juniors & Seniors.

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to recommend to the Menominee Tribal Legislature to accept the 2008 Career Day for High School Juniors & Seniors proposal in the amount of \$950.00 from the Youth Service Providers appropriation. Motion was seconded by Dan Maine. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent (Perez), 0-abstentions. Motion carried.

Motion made by Jeremy Weso to table the remaining five Youth Service Provider proposals until next regular meeting of the budget & Finance Committee. Motion was seconded by Eugene Caldwell. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent (Perez), 0-abstentions. Motion carried.

5. Restricted Use Budget Process Schedule-

The Amendment to Ordinance No. 07-27 Fiscal Year 2008 Restricted-Use Budget purpose is to (1) help Utilities Department pay \$31,672.00 in principal and interest payments due on a water treatment facility loan and (2) will make available \$28,672.00 in Tranni Estate funds for Menominee Tribal Legislature to acquire real estate. There was a short discussion about Associated Bank and the Tribes relation with them.

Motion made by Eugene Caldwell to recommend to the Menominee Tribal Legislature Amendment to Ordinance No. 07-27 Fiscal Year 2008 Restricted-Use Budget the total appropriations \$60,172.00 and addition of funds to (1) help the Utilities Department pay the \$31,672.00 in principal and interest payments due on water treatment loan and (2) make available \$28,500.00 in Tranni estate funds for Menominee Tribal Legislature to acquire real estate. Motion was seconded by Jeremy Weso. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent (Perez), 0-abstentions. Motion carried.

6. Tranni Fund-

This item was discussed with item No.5 on the agenda.

7. FY 09 Tribal Budget Process Schedule-

Jeremy went over the schedule briefly, and did let the committee know that he puts the schedule out twice a year in Menominee Tribal News.

8. FYI: Workman's Compensation Fund Administration Policy-

This was for informational purposes only and was sent from the Governmental Affairs Committee. Dan Maine did update the Budget committee on Workman's Compensation.

9. Other Business-

There was a letter from the California Valley Miwok Tribe requesting any funds that could help them in a Legal issue. Legislature Caldwell would like to thank the Miwok Tribe for there interest but at this time we can not help them.

Motion made by Eugene Caldwell to deny the monetary request from the Miwok Tribe. Motion was seconded by Harold Wilkes. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. 5-for, 0-opposed, 1-absent (Perez), 0-abstentions. Motion carried.

Legislature Caldwell let the committee know that at the conference he had attended, he got some information on American Banking Association and that they are encouraging other banks to file an amicus brief. Legislature Caldwell wanted to know if Associated Bank was with American Banking Association.

10. Adjournment-

Motion made by Eugene Caldwell/Dan Maine to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Lisa Caldwell, Recorder/Transcriber
Chairman's Office